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DEVELOPMENT

The recent session of the Prince Edward Island Development Commission brought many facts to light of which a great many people in the province had previously known little if anything, facts also with which the great majority of our people were cognizant in a vague sort of way but the full significance of which they had not realized. They knew, for instance, that there were large quantities of brick clay in the province, knew that bricks were manufactured in a small way in some localities, but they knew also that large quantities of bricks were being imported yearly, and they therefore concluded that the manufacture of bricks in this province was an unprofitable speculation and they were content to let the matter remain there. The Development Commission has already demonstrated to them that our clay deposits are very rich, suitable for the manufacture of art pottery, a business that can be made very lucrative and that may be developed into an industry employing a great many men and women. They have been shown also that even the manufacture of bricks and drainage tiles can be carried on as successfully here as anywhere else in the world and that already a number of local capitalists have invested their money in the industry and that as a result the province will no longer be subject to the wastefulness and the disgrace of importing what we have the raw material and the labour to manufacture for ourselves.

Our people knew that strawberries could be grown here but they did not realize that six acres under strawberries could be made more profitable than a hundred acres worked as most of our acres are worked at present. The Development Commission succeeded in placing the information in a most practical way before our people and we have no doubt the result will be a great development in this one industry alone.

The people knew, in a vague way, that our schools with all their good qualities, might be still further improved, that the consolidation of contiguous schools ought to be an advantage and a means of economizing and improving the schools. The matter was set forth very clearly by Rev. Dr. Gauthier in a report which we publish in this issue. Immigration, the canning of small fruits, toymaking etc were all touched upon in a practical way and the possibilities in each case clearly and intelligently set forth. The men who undertook to outline these possibilities had given their respective subjects much thought and investigation. The conclusions they arrived at were based on actual known facts, and these conclusions if acted upon will mean an incalculable benefit to the province.

We have for many years contented ourselves with conditions and methods that had been handed down to us from a time which was essentially different from the present. It is encouraging to find that we are beginning to realize this and shaping our course to meet modern conditions and modern competition. The work already accomplished and the new direction given to the thought of our people by the Development Commission is most encouraging and we shall expect that great good will result. The work of development, however, must not be left to the Development Commission alone. In this all must take their share. Without general co-operation along such lines as the Commission may indicate from time to time there can be no general progress. Already we have our successful individuals. What the Commission is aiming at is to make our successes general, to include the whole province in a forward movement in which all will benefit.

THE CHARGES AND THE FACTS

The charges made in Parliament by Mr. George W. Kyte, M. P., were calculated to impress the country. It is doubtful whether Mr. Kyte knew the whole truth. He had possession of certain documents and more rumors and he proceeded to build up a case against his political opponents. He was reckless with mis-statements because he was eager for political advantage. He believed the Government would not grant an investigation and he over-reached himself.

Parliament did not order an investigation because it was alleged that certain outside parties had received from the contractors a commission for introducing those contractors to the Shell Committee. The investigation was demanded and ordered because Mr. Kyte and his friends, by the ingenious or unimpaired use of certain documents alleged, directly or indirectly, that the Shell Committee had been guilty of corrupt practices and dishonest administration of public funds and that the Minister of Militia had been a party to the wrong-doing, if he had not personally benefitted by reason of his connection with Col. Allison. The Kyte charges were deliberately prepared by politicians to cast grave suspicion on the Shell Committee and on General Hughes. Such a suspicion has found no support in any of the evidence which so far has been adduced. The Shell Committee may have made some mistakes in business judgment. The Minister of Militia may have placed too much dependence in the professions of Col. Allison that he was actuated only by motives of friendship and not of personal gain. But these are far from the letter of the Kyte charges and farther still from the spirit of them.

A typical instance of the pettifoggery, political methods of the member for Richmond is his action in branding as "mushroom" concerns, the companies to which the Shell Committee let fuse contracts. Mr. Kyte deliberately conveyed the impression that they were to be financed principally by advances from the Committee. Either he knew better and was dishonest or he did not know better and acted on the principle that too much investigation may spoil a perfectly good scandal. Mr. Kyte said in the House in reference to the American Ammunition Company: "The Shell Committee gives a contract to this mushroom company to manufacture shell fuses; the company has no factory, no capital, nothing; and the Shell Committee very complacently furnishes them with all the money to finance the undertaking."

As against this statement we have the facts: The Shell Committee negotiated the contract with Messrs. E. B. Cadwell, B. F. Yoakum and E. W. Bassick. All three are men of unquestioned standing and financial backing. Mr. Cadwell and the associates whom he represents control companies which have executed, or are executing, orders for 1,385,000 fuses and 4,600,000 gaines. They were preparing for months to manufacture fuses before the Shell Committee's contract was secured, and Mr. Cadwell obtained the first fuse contract placed by Great Britain in the United States. Mr. Yoakum is a railroad builder of international reputation. He has constructed 5,000 miles of road in the Western States at a cost of \$230,000,000. Mr. E. W. Bassick is a manufacturer of standing, with important industrial interests and connections.

The American Ammunition Company received from the Shell Committee in advances \$1,560,000, of which \$1,053,685 was advanced to sub-contractors and the balance remained on deposit in the bank. Before receiving any payment from the Shell Committee for completed fuses, the company paid out \$1,500,000, in addition to the advances to sub-contractors, while obligations maturing from day to day brought the amount to \$2,000,000. Moreover, the advances made by the Shell Committee represented a smaller percentage of the value of the order than did the advances made to the same and other companies in the United States through Messrs. J. P. Morgan & Co. The Shell Committee was fully protected against loss through its advances, by the guarantee bond of one of the strongest and most reputable trust and guarantee companies in the United States. Contrary to Mr. Kyte's statement, the interests which accepted the contract under the name of the American Ammunition Company had many factories—some of them already producing fuses—had almost unlimited capital resources, and paid out \$2,000,000 in addition to the money advanced by the Shell Committee before receiving any return.—Toronto News.



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lawyers, newspaper men, sail-makers and others are losing the benefit of the purchase of these two schooners, that could have been built right in Charlottetown, Summerside, Alberton, Souris, Murray River and other places in P. E. I. The material, workmen and capital are all here—all that is wanted to start this great industry at once, is the Royal Commission to take a sworn statement from Captains, shipowners and others affected and interested, as to why the moss and grass is growing over our shipyards, when in every other country they are working day and night, building wooden and steel ships.

Thirty-five years ago the Maritime Provinces made Canada the fourth maritime nation in the world. They then built, owned and manned a million tons of shipping, which today would be worth over \$100,000,000—more than three times the value of the total fisheries of Canada, which is \$31,000,000—and how many people blow and talk about the value of our Fisheries and never mention our Merchant Marine. Today the Maritime Provinces control only 200,004 tons of shipping; why?

I am Sir etc., ALEX. G. BAILLIE.

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 * the King, *
 * Fight as He fought for you, *
 * Fight for the right, with all thy *
 * might, *
 * Fight for the red, white and *
 * blue." *

BY ISLAND AUTHOR

A former Charlottetownian C. H. Duchemin is the author of the following song now being set to music in New York and which has been favorably commented upon in several American Papers:

We've played at soldier many years,
 the growing child's delight,
 Our arms are polished neatly and our
 hearts are clean and white,
 So when for freedom's righteous cause
 Dad starts his ships to mah,
 Can Ada help her Daddy some? You
 bet you Ada can.

For Johnny Bull's my Daddy
 Yes my Dad and me are chums;
 We share our lot with Paddy,
 Mac or any one who comes;
 Can Ada help her parent flail
 The foe to God and man?
 Who pairs my Daddy's hon's bill
 Will find out Ada can.

Don't judge us by our wheat crop
 grand, altho we have so much,
 Nor by our scrapping either, tho you'll

find we "beat the dutch;"
 But by our love for Daddy who from
 duty never ran
 Can Ada help her daddy fight? Yes,
 daughter, Ada Can!

The all the world should knock on him
 for any cause unjust,
 Our Daddy still shall hold our faith,
 you couldn't "bust the trust."
 So if you monkey with that tail, just
 o'er our features scan;
 Can Ada help her Daddy then? Bank
 on it, Ada Can!

And when our little share is done,
 when peace shall reign supreme,
 "The Maple Leaf Our Emblem Dear"
 will once more be our theme;
 "God Save the King to heaven rise
 from throats and hearts of man,
 Can Ada help the nation sing? Just
 try it—Ada Can!"

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BETWEEN OURSELVES

Beautiful June time is with us again. All nature seems to be working overtime to carpet the earth surface. In lovely shades of green while every tree, shrub, plant or flower is springing into newness of life. The dye situation, for fabrics, so difficult (owing to war conditions) to secure certain colors, does not in any way prevent nature from lavishing upon us annually her beautiful tints, and wealth of loveliness almost at our very door. To the writer, and also to you, thoughts of gratitude will well up in our hearts to Almighty God for permitting us to live in such a beautiful world. "Oh! that man would praise the Lord for goodness and for His wonderful works to the Children of men."

We human's the masterpiece of

God's Creation are permitted to assist nature, in many ways, around our home, and neighborhood, very many citizens and numbers of others throughout this Garden of the Gulf are quietly doing all they can to brighten up their little home land possession, as well as helping on any good work in city, town or country.

This personal touch especially of late years has made wonderful improvements in our city and province. Your good work is contagious, it spreads to your neighbors, it wears in well doing, for dear old mother earth, will gladly co-operate in any assistance, or attention you may be prompted to bestow upon her.

"When we plant a tree, or seed, we are doing what we can to make our planet a more wholesome and happier dwelling place for those who come after us as well as ourselves."

Keep up the good work, Brighten up.
 W. S. L.

STEAMER SUNK WITHOUT WARNING

PARIS, May 27—A Havas despatch from Port Vendres says that two French torpedo boats arrived there

yesterday bringing 30 members of the crew of the Italian steamer Moravia, which was torpedoed by a German submarine on Thursday afternoon without warning. The crew was abandoned in two lifeboats. The Moravia was on her way from New York to Genoa with a cargo of flour.

The Moravia is a steamer of 2,263 tons. She sailed from New York on May 5 and was last reported passing Gibraltar on May 22.

Ship Building

Sir,—Last week at Dartmouth, N. S., the three masted wooden schooner "Elvie B. Hall" loaded 450,000 feet of lumber for Great Britain, at a freight of \$38.00 per thousand. The schooner is over 300 tons, and the freight amounts to \$18,000, just 6,000 dollars more than the schooner cost a short time before, being purchased by a Parrsboro gentleman for \$12,000 and sailing under U. S. A. Registry.

A couple of months ago Capt. Watson of Fire of Stanley Bridge bought a somewhat similar schooner in the U. S. A. There is \$25,000 or \$30,000 of Canadian money paid out to non-Canadian workmen; non-Canadian markets—your farmers, merchants, doctors,

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